



# ST. ANNE'S HAPPENINGS

Loving God,

As we journey through the month of June, we thank You for the many blessings You give us each day.

Thank You for our families, friends, teachers, and the opportunities we have to learn and grow together.

Help us to show kindness, respect, and compassion to everyone we meet.

Bless our school community and help us to create a place where all people feel welcomed, valued, and supported.

We ask for Your guidance and care throughout this month and always.  
Amen.

JUNE

## Dates to Remember

### TERM TWO

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| Tuesday 22nd June  | Leadership Speeches - 8.45am  |
| Thursday 25th June | Year 6 MJR Assembly           |
| Thursday 2nd July  | Maths Quiz                    |
| Friday 3rd July    | Last Day of School - Term Two |

### TERM THREE

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| Monday 20th July  | Student Free Day - No School     |
| Tuesday 21st July | First Day of School - Term Three |

## Principal's Message

Dear Students, Parents, and Friends of St Anne's,

Welcome to this week's newsletter!



### MESSAGE AND EVENTS

**CROSS COUNTRY:** Well done to all our students for their wonderful efforts at Wednesday's Cross Country Carnival. Congratulations to those students who earned an individual honour, and a fantastic effort by Uduc House for taking out the overall championship.

It was a great day, featuring a new and slightly longer course. A huge thank you to Mr Ietto for his very first carnival with us—his organisation and presentation were exceptional, and the students were very well prepared. Thank you also to Mr Bovey for the way he presented the course and the school on the day.

**ASSEMBLIES – LIVING THE ST ANNE'S KINDNESS ATTITUDE:** Over the past two weeks, our assemblies have highlighted a shared focus on kindness—an important part of the St Anne's way. We strive to practise kindness to ourselves, to others, and to model this in how we live each day within our school and classrooms.

#### Pre-Primary MJR Assembly

We were blessed with a beautiful and meaningful assembly led by our Pre-Primary students. They shared the importance of kindness in our world, how it can be expressed, and why it matters. Their message reflected the teachings and example of Jesus and was a joy to witness. Well done to our Pre-Primary students and thank you to Ms Rowling and Mrs Shaw for your thoughtful preparation. We also extend our appreciation to Mrs Tomkinson and Mrs Bovey for their support of the students.

#### Year Three Class Assembly

The Year Three students entertained us with a creative Readers Theatre performance of the *Sugar and Spice House*, demonstrating confident reading and expressive performance skills. They concluded with a lively and memorable Kindness Song, reinforcing the importance of choosing kindness each day. Their message aligns strongly with the St Anne's commitment to fostering a caring and respectful community. Thank you to the Year Threes, Mrs Fimmano and Mrs Shaw for such a wonderful assembly.

A very catchy song, I loved it! Can make you feel good about things. You can enjoy the Kindness Song here:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pK-OKAHqAk0>

**PREMIERS READERS CHALLENGE:** What a fantastic Premier's Reading Challenge we have had this year, with an amazing number of books read by students both individually and at a class level. Congratulations to everyone who committed to exploring the joy of reading and taking part in the challenge—what a wonderful achievement!

Please see the photos attached to celebrate this success. A huge thank you also to Mrs Norminton for overseeing the program and for the way she motivated and empowered students to pick up a book and develop a love of reading.

**WINTER SPORT:** Today, our Year 4–6 students are participating in the Winter Carnival alongside St Joseph's Waroona and Waroona District High School at the town oval. We wish them all the best—enjoy the competition and have fun!

**LEADERSHIP SPEECHES:** As the term comes to an end, we now look to elect our Semester Two student leaders. Students will present their speeches on Tuesday, with successful candidates to be acknowledged at the final assembly next Thursday.

A huge thank you and congratulations to our Semester One leaders for the way they have conducted themselves and led within the school community. Their contribution has been greatly valued.

**REPORTS:** Teachers are currently busy finalising assessments and preparing Semester One reports. Schools are required to report student achievement twice each year using a five-point scale, which provides a clear picture of how each child is progressing against the expected standard for their year level. The scale is clearly explained on your child's report.

Reports will be available to families via SEQTA Engage on Wednesday 1st July, the final week of this term. We encourage you to take the time to read your child's report carefully and to celebrate their progress and achievements.

If any parents experience difficulties accessing their child's report, please contact the school office so we can assist and ensure the issue is resolved promptly.

**ANNUAL REPORTING:** In accordance with the accountability requirements of the Australian Education Act 2013 and associated regulations, all schools are required to provide an annual report reflecting the previous year's activities, outcomes, and key compliance information.

Next week, I will upload this report to the school website in line with CEWA protocols. I encourage all families and community members to read the report to gain insight into our school's achievements, priorities, and ongoing commitment to excellence in Catholic education.

**PRINCIPAL LEAVE NOTIFICATION:** Please note I will be on Long Service Leave from June 29<sup>th</sup> – July 3rd. Mr Godwin will serve as Acting Principal during my absence. Thank you for your continued support.

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### SYSTEM LEVEL REMINDER - THREE WEEK HOLIDAY

**CEWA UPDATE:** Catholic Education Western Australia (CEWA) will be moving toward the implementation of a three-week mid-year term break for all 150 CEWA schools beginning in 2027. This change forms part of CEWA's ongoing commitment to supporting the wellbeing of both staff and students, ensuring a more sustainable rhythm to the school year and opportunities for rest and renewal.

To keep families informed, a collection of Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) is attached to the back of the newsletter. These may assist you in understanding the reasons behind the change and how it may affect planning for the 2027 school year.

If you have any further questions or would like more clarification, please feel free to contact me.

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**MAKING JESUS REAL:** The Spirit of Jesus continues to be a theme celebrated within our school. Please take note of the 'Making Jesus Real tip of the week.' By changing our behaviours and attitudes to live more like Jesus we can definitely make a difference to other individual's circumstances, as well as our own.

Have a safe and happy week

Darrin Croft  
PRINCIPAL

#### MJR AT ST ANNES:

##### **LEADERSHIP IN SCHOOLS.....**

When we get to a senior class in a primary school a good question to ask is, "What can we do to make our school a better place for the children and staff of Kindy to Year Six?". A good basis is to develop our own classroom spirit before we go out to the rest of the school.

##### **CLASS SPIRIT.....**

Basically we would all like to belong to a class where we are welcomed each day by our friends with a "Good Morning", when we walk into a classroom - where our opinions are listened to without being put down by others, where we feel welcomed that we could join in games and where we are encouraged by the rest of the class.



# Cross Country

On Wednesday, we held our Cross Country event. While the weather wasn't looking very promising, it held up and allowed the day to go ahead as planned.

We had a fantastic turnout of parents supporting their children, which added to the great atmosphere. Most students participated in the event and successfully completed the course, demonstrating excellent sportsmanship throughout the day.

The competition between the factions was extremely close, with the final race of the Year 1 students proving decisive. Their results helped Uduc secure the overall victory by just 5 points.

Overall, it was an awesome day, with everyone in high spirits and enjoying the event. Congratulations to all students for their effort, determination, and positive attitude.



Congratulations





# MJR Award Winners

Thursday 18th June 2026



## Pre-Primary

Teddy

## Year 1

Rhiena

## Year 2

Athalia

## Year 3

Amahlia



## Year 4

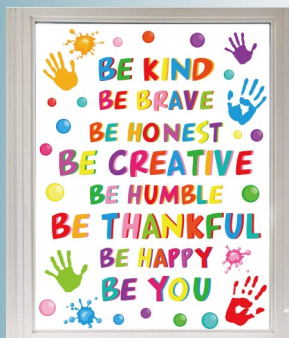
Hudson

## Year 5

Makenna

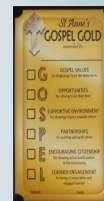
## Year 6

James



## Gospel Gold Winners

June  
Kade

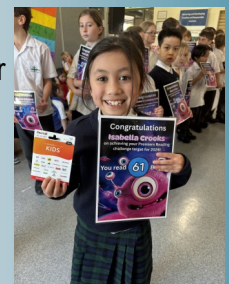


## Premier's Reading Challenge

Congratulations to ALL students that participated in the 2026 Premiers Reading Challenge. We had 20 students that achieved the goal of logging 12 books during the challenge. Jasmine read a whopping 167 books!!! This year's raffle winner was Isabella in Year Three who logged 61 books!

This year we also looked at some class stats. Our class with the most registered students was Year One. They had 33% of the class registered. Our class with the most books logged was Year Three. They had 303 books logged over the challenge.

Thank you to all families who took the time to register and log their child's reading. We appreciate your support and involvement. We look forward to doing it all again next year!





## Three-Week Mid-Year Term Break FAQs

Catholic Education Western Australia Limited (CEWA) will be moving toward the implementation of a three-week mid-year term break for its 150 schools for the 2027 school year. The three-week mid-year term break is part of CEWA's ongoing commitment to the wellbeing of staff and students.

To help with the implementation of the initiative some schools may be required to make small adjustments to their term calendars and/or school timetabling as required. Students will continue to have the same number of contact hours across a school year as they currently do.

1. What are the term dates for CEWA Schools in 2027?

**Term 1:** 28 January – 9 April 2027

**Term 2:** 26 April – 25 June 2027  
(pending ANZAC Day observance)

**Term 3:** 19 July – 24 September 2027

**Term 4:** 11 October – 10 December 2027

2. How is the three-week mid-year term break being accommodated in the school year?

Consideration of the diverse needs across the CEWA system of schools (including size, location, demographic), along with Principal feedback, informed the decision to move to a new CEWA annual calendar, by:

- redistribution of four instructional days to elsewhere in the school year; and
- compensation of one day through increasing the daily school timetable by 2 minutes per day (as required by some schools).

3. What is the impact of the change for students?

- Students commence Term 1 two days earlier than Department of Education schools.
- Reduction of two pupil free days during term time (a benefit for working parents).
- Adjustment of the school timetable by two minutes per day (for some schools).

Importantly, the amount of instructional time for students remains the same and the total number of term weeks remain the same. The number of pupil free

days for students (mid-term) reduces by two days in the year (seen as a benefit for working parents).

4. What is the impact of the change for teaching staff?

Teachers will deliver the same instructional teaching time over the course of the year and will continue to receive the same number of professional learning opportunities.

The Three-Week Mid-Year Term Break will enable teachers to have a longer break from delivering instructional teaching to students. The calendar allows for teachers to engage in some professional development during the mid-year term break.

5. How can working parents make the most of the additional week of leave for their children?

The CEWA system of schools, which includes 150 schools and approximately 75,000 students, has adjusted term dates to better align pupil-free days for families across multiple CEWA primary and secondary schools.

By knowing the term dates in advance, parents can plan more effectively.

Additionally, a standardised calendar highlights the community demand for independent OSHC services and holiday programs, providing a genuine opportunity for service providers to respond to community needs.

6. Will students in the country still be able to participate in Country Week?

Students would still be able to participate in Country Week sporting activities during the mid-year term break, with no interruption to their schooling.

7. How can I find out more about the research of the benefits supporting CEWA's decision for the three-week mid-year term break?

CEWA's [Vision for Learning](#) and [Strategic Wellbeing Framework](#) documents may be accessed here or on the CEWA website under 'Publications'.

8. How will I know if my child's school timetable will be adjusted?

The Principal will communicate the school timetable and any changes required from 2027 onwards, to the school community through their normal channels.

9. Will the change of the term dates impact school fees?

The amount of instructional time for students remains the same and the total number of term weeks across the year remain the same. The change of Term Dates to create a three-week mid-year term break will not result in any changes to school fees.

10. How will the WA Government's review of public holidays impact this change?

The information of any changes to public holidays in WA will be reviewed and assessed for impact, once an update is released by the WA Government.